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**S. 347**

**[Report No. 108-25]**

To direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint special resources study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 11, 2003

Mrs. FEINSTEIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

MARCH 19, 2003

Reported by Mr. DOMENICI, with an amendment and an amendment to the title

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Rim of the Valley Cor-  
5       ridor Study Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. RIM OF THE VALLEY CORRIDOR STUDY.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior and  
8       the Secretary of Agriculture (in this Act referred to as  
9       the “Secretaries”) shall conduct a joint special resource  
10      study of the lands, waters, and interests of the area com-  
11      prising the Rim of the Valley Corridor in Southern Cali-  
12      fornia, as depicted on the map entitled “SANTA  
13      MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY ZONE—RIM  
14      OF THE VALLEY CORRIDOR Parklands and Open  
15      Space” and dated July 30, 2002.

16      (b) STUDY TOPICS.—The study shall evaluate the  
17      suitability and feasibility of establishing the area as a unit  
18      of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.

19      (c) CRITERIA.—In conducting the study authorized  
20      by this section, the Secretaries shall use the criteria for  
21      the study for areas for potential inclusion in the National  
22      Park System contained in section 8(c) of Public Law 91–  
23      383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5(e)).

1       (d) ~~CONSULTATION.—In conducting the study au-~~  
 2 ~~thorized by this section, the Secretaries shall consult with~~  
 3 ~~appropriate State, county and local government entities.~~

4       **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

5       There are authorized to be appropriated such funds  
 6 as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

7       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

8       *This Act may be cited as the “Rim of the Valley Cor-*  
 9 *ridor Study Act”.*

10       **SEC. 2. RIM OF THE VALLEY CORRIDOR STUDY.**

11       *The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Ag-*  
 12 *riculture shall conduct a joint resources study of the lands,*  
 13 *waters, and interests of the area comprising the Rim of the*  
 14 *Valley Corridor in Southern California, as depicted on the*  
 15 *map entitled “Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*  
 16 *Zone—Rim of the Valley Corridor Parklands and Open*  
 17 *Space” and dated July 30, 2002, to evaluate a range of*  
 18 *alternative for protecting resources, including the suit-*  
 19 *ability and feasibility of establishing the area as a unit of*  
 20 *the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.*  
 21 *The Secretaries shall consult with appropriate State, coun-*  
 22 *ty and local government entities in conducting the study.*

23       **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

24       *There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as*  
 25 *may be necessary to carry out this Act.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a joint resource study to evaluate the suitability and feasibility of establishing the Rim of the Valley Corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.”.



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